

Mr. MACLEAN (*Winnipeg North Centre*): I realize it is fully within the act but what I want to know is if the minister has ever thought of perhaps making some exception with regard to university students in general.

Mr. STARR: We have had representations from university students in a body about a year ago and this matter was brought to our attention. However, the fact remains that the unemployment insurance must remain on the basis that if a person works 24 hours a week then he must, of necessity, be insured under the Act and the employer must provide for that insurance. That is, he must put a stamp in the unemployment insurance book that week.

Mr. MACLEAN (*Winnipeg North Centre*): The only point is with this special class it does seem a bit ridiculous that they are paying into this fund and will never get anything out of it.

Mr. MCGREGOR: May I point out that some of those student eventually do not go back to university and actually come on our hands.

Mr. MACLEAN (*Winnipeg North Centre*): That is quite true but the majority never collect.

Mr. MCGREGOR: It is not too rare a case when they decide not to go back to university and come into our hands.

Mr. MACLEAN (*Winnipeg North Centre*): That is a very limited percentage, though.

Mr. MCGREGOR: Yes, but it does happen.

Mr. SPENCER: Is it correct that a law student getting a few dollars a week pays unemployment insurance?

Mr. STARR: As long as he works 24 hours.

Mr. MCGREGOR: As long as he is under the control of his employer and is told when he must work and how he must work then he has to pay insurance.

Mr. SPENCER: That is a graduate may find employment to put himself through his education.

The CHAIRMAN: Any further questions?

Mr. HOUCK: May I ask this question of Mr. Bisson. You mention this in your brief and at the same time I thought it was a very informative brief. You referred to the fellow who goes to a job and turns out to be a misfit. Do you have a big percentage of those and what happens to him after that, if he is found not suitable on the job?

Mr. BISSON: I do not think we have any figures on that. We are just making a general statement. A misfit can cause a loss to the economy but we do our best to select the best applicant for the job.

Mr. HOUCK: But he does not lose his standing if he turns out to be a misfit?

Mr. BISSON: No, if he is released and comes back to us and the employer says he is not satisfactory.

Mr. STARR: In other words, he is thrown back on the labour market and we must endeavour in our placement activity to find him another job in which he will fit, and in that respect I want to say this: Mr. Bisson in his report set out the fact that we have authority from the treasury board to hire 150 more men and that will mean an increased of 148 in our personnel. That means that there is a reduction of two from the original establishment. We have the authority to add 150 more persons for job finding activity in our offices across the country even though it will not be sufficient to carry out what we intend to do.

Nevertheless, we feel that it is a beginning.